AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Upon entry of this amendment, the following listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the pending application.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 7, 17, 19, 20 and 29 as follows:

1.   (Currently Amended) A method for providing remote access to a plurality of application sessions, the method comprising:

receiving authentication information associated with a user, <u>the user having a plurality of sessions that were disconnected from one or more client computers operated by the user;</u>

authenticating the user;

identifying <u>the</u> ~~a~~ plurality of disconnected application sessions already associated with the user in response to the received information;

identifying from a rule source a rule governing a reaction to receiving authentication information from the user;

determining via the rule that the user is one of required, permitted or forbidden to connect to a first application session of the identified plurality of disconnected application sessions; and

<u>reestablishing the first application session of the identified plurality of disconnected application sessions with a client computer operated by the user in response to the determined rule.</u> ~~establishing a connection between a client computer operated by the user and the first application session of the identified plurality of disconnected application sessions in response to the received information.~~

2.   (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the first application session of the plurality of disconnected application sessions is running on a first server and a second application session of the plurality of disconnected application sessions is running on a second server.

3.   (Original) The method of claim 1 further determining via the rule the user is one of required, permitted or forbidden to connect to the first application session based on a state of one of the first application session or the identified plurality of disconnected application sessions.

4.   (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the rule is created by one of the user or an administrator.

5.   (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising automatically establishing the connection to the first application session upon authentication of the received information.

6.   (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the connection between the user and at least the first application session of the identified plurality of disconnected application sessions is triggered by the selection of a single user interface element.

7.   (Currently Amended) The method of claim 1 further comprising[[:]] determining the first application session is active and automatically connecting the client computer operated by the user to the active first application session.

8.   (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising determining via the rule the user is allowed to connect to application sessions for a specific application, and identifying the first application session as including the specific application.

9.   (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising determining via the rule the user is allowed to connect to application sessions contingent on the client computer and identifying the client computer operated by the user as allowed to connect to the first application session.

10. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising authenticating the user in response to the received authentication information.

11. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the step of identifying the plurality of application sessions comprises consulting stored data associated with a plurality of servers executing application sessions.

12. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the plurality of application sessions was connected to a first client computer prior to connection and, after connection, at least the first application session of the plurality of disconnected application sessions is reconnected to the first client computer.

13. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein the plurality of application sessions was associated with a first client computer prior to establishing the connection and, after establishing the connection, at least the first application session of the plurality of disconnected application sessions is connected to a second client computer.

14. (Original) The method of claim 1 wherein at least one of the plurality of application sessions is one of disconnected or active.

15. (Original) The method of claim 1 further comprising determining via the rule to connect the user to the first application session after receiving user approval.

16. (Original) The method of claim 1 comprising automatically identifying the plurality of applications sessions upon receipt of the authentication information.

17. (Currently Amended) A method for providing remote access to a plurality of application sessions, the method comprising:

transmitting authentication information associated with a user operating one of a first computer or a second computer;

receiving a user's ~~prompt~~ selection indicating ~~whether~~ to connect to a first application session identified from a plurality of disconnected application sessions provided via a menu option to ~~associated with~~ the user during operation of the first computer; and

receiving application output from ~~a~~ the first application session in response to transmission of the user's ~~indication~~ selection to connect to the first application session.

18. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein the receiving application output is automatic upon the transmission of the user's indication.

19. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 17 further comprising receiving a user ~~prompt~~ selection to indicate whether the first application session should remain disconnected.

20. (Currently Amended) The method of claim 19 further comprising receiving a user ~~prompt~~ selection to indicate whether the first application session should be terminated.

21. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein the plurality of active application sessions is initially connected to a first client computer and, upon transmitting the information, the user is operating a second client computer.

22. (Original) The method of claim 17 further comprising forbidding the user to connect to the first application session of the plurality of disconnected application.

23. (Original) The method of claim 22 wherein the rule is created by one of the user or an administrator.

24. (Original) The method of claim 22 further comprising via the rule that the user's connection to one of the first application session or the plurality of disconnected application sessions is required.

25. (Original) The method of claim 17 further comprising selecting by the user a single user interface element to automatically connect to the plurality of disconnected application sessions associated with the user.

26. (Original) The method of claim 17 further comprising automatically transmitting the authentication of the user from one of the first computer or the second computer operated by the user.

27. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein the plurality of disconnected application sessions was connected to a first client computer prior to disconnection and, at connection, at least the first application session of the plurality of disconnected application session is reconnected to the first client computer.

28. (Original) The method of claim 17 wherein the plurality of disconnected application sessions was connected to a first client computer prior to disconnection and, at connection, at least the first application session of the plurality of disconnected application session is connected to a second client computer.

29. (Currently Amended) A server for providing remote access to an application session, the server comprising:

        a network module for receiving authentication information associated with a user

operating a client computer, <u>the user having a plurality of sessions that were disconnected from one or more client computers operated by the user</u>;

an authentication module for authenticating the user via the authentication information received from the user;

a data store for ~~enumerating~~ <u>identifying</u> a plurality of disconnected application sessions already associated with the user <u>in response to the received information</u>;

a rule source for providing one or more rules governing a reaction to receiving authentication information from the user, the one ~~on~~ or more rules ~~identifying~~ <u>determining</u> whether to one of require, permit or forbid the user's connection to a <u>first application session of the identified plurality of</u> disconnected application session<u>s</u>; and

a server process for <u>reestablishing the first application session of the identified plurality of disconnected application sessions with a client computer operated by the user in response to the determined rule.</u> ~~connecting the client computer operated by the user to a first application session of the plurality of disconnected application sessions enumerated in the data store in response to authentication of the received information and in accordance with the one or more rules.~~

30. (Original) The server of claim 29 wherein the first application session of the plurality of disconnected application sessions is running on a first server and a second application session of the plurality of application sessions is running on a second server.

31. (Original) The server of claim 29 wherein the server process determines via the one or more rules the user is allowed to connect to the first application session based on a state of one of the first application session or the enumerated plurality of disconnected application sessions.

32. (Original) The server of claim 29 wherein the one or more rules ~~rule~~ is created by one of the user or an administrator.

33. (Original) The server of claim 29 ~~31~~ wherein the server process establishes the connection to the first application session upon authentication of the received information.

34. (Original) The server of claim 29 wherein the connection of the user to at least the first application session of the plurality of disconnected application sessions is triggered by the selection of a single user interface element.

35. (Original) The server of claim 29 wherein the server process determines the first application session is active and automatically connects the client computer operated by the user to the active first application session.

36. (Original) The server of claim 29 ~~35~~ wherein the server process determines via the one or more rules the user is allowed to connect to application sessions for a specific application, and identifying the first application session as including the specific application.

37. (Original) The server of claim 29 wherein the server process determines via the one or more rules the user is allowed to connect to application sessions contingent on the client computer and identifying the client computer operated by the user as allowed to connect to the first application session.

38. (Original) The server of claim 29 further comprising an authentication module for authenticating the user in response to the received authentication information.

39. (Original) The server of claim 29 wherein the data store comprises stored data associated with a plurality of servers executing application sessions.

40. (Original) The server of claim 29 wherein the plurality of application sessions was connected to a first client computer prior to connection and, after connection, at least the first application session of the plurality of disconnected application sessions is reconnected to the first client computer.

41. (Original) The server of claim 29 wherein the plurality of application sessions was associated with a first client computer prior to connection and, after connection, at least the first application session of the plurality of disconnected application sessions is connected to a second client computer.

42. (Original) The server of claim 29 wherein at least one of the plurality of application sessions is one of disconnected or active.

43. (Original) The server of claim 29 wherein the server process determines via the one or more rules to connect to the first application session after receiving user approval.